

A bill to amend the act to incorporate the Buffalo Bayou and Brazos and Colorado Railway Company.

A bill to authorize and require the Clerks of the District Courts of the Counties of Harrison and Rusk, to apportion the causes in the dockets of said courts.

A bill for the relief of William Rawlins.

" " " " William Foreman.

" " " " John Little.

" " " " H. H. Davis.

Joint Resolution preparing an amendment to the Constitution.

A bill changing a portion of the Boundaries of the counties of Calhoun, Victoria and Refugio.

A bill to repeal an act to provide for the issuance of Bounty and Donation Land Warrants, to persons entitled to the same.

A bill authorizing the U. S. Marshal of the District of Texas to use the jails of the various counties of the State, and Penitentiary, for certain purposes.

A bill authorizing and requiring the Governor of the State to have surveyed the unlocated balance of the University lands.

A bill for the protection of the lands that have been or may hereafter be granted for purposes of education.

On motion of Mr. Russell, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow morning, 8 o'clock.

— SATURDAY, Aug. 30th, 1856. —

The Senate was called to order by the President pro tem., pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Armstrong introduced the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that our Representatives in Congress are hereby requested and urged to use every legitimate means in their power to procure the removal from office of John C. Watrous, Judge of the United States District Court for the State of Texas, and that the Governor forward to said members a copy of this resolution."

Read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and referred to a joint select committee to consist of three on the part of the Senate.

Messrs. Armstrong, Scarborough and Guinn, were appointed the committee.

Mr. Guinn, chairman of the committee on engrossed bills, reported correctly engrossed,

A Joint resolution relative to the Public Debt.

On motion of Mr. Bryan the Joint Resolution relative to the Public Debt was taken up, read 3d time and passed.

Mr. Whitaker chairman of the Committee on Private Land Claims, to which was referred a bill for the relief of Wm. B. McShan, and the petition of Henry B. King, reported the same back, and asked to be discharged from their further consideration.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills originating in the Senate :

A bill for the relief of Stephen F. Sparks.

" " " S. W. Pepkin.

" " " the heirs of Samuel Washburn, dec'd.

" " " W. H. Mays, C. F. Whittington, and

M. S. Clare.

And a bill to authorize James M. Waide, to construct a bridge across the Sabine River.

Also a bill, originating in the House, to relinquish the right of the State to certain lands therein named, and

A bill originating in the Senate, to incorporate the Henderson and State line Railroad Company, with amendments.

Mr. Hord offered the following resolution :

Resolved, that no Senator shall speak at one time more than five minutes.

Mr. Millican moved to lay the resolution on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hill the previous question was ordered, and the resolution adopted by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Bryan, Caldwell, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Superviele, Truit, Weatherford, White and Wren—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Armstrong, Burroughs, Guinn, Martin, Millican and Russell—6.

Mr. Hord made the following report :

COMMITTEE ROOM, }
August 28th, 1856. }

To the Hon. H. R. Runnels, President, and

Hon. H. P. Bee, Speaker, &c.,

The Joint Select Committee, to whom was referred the me-

memorial of Charles E. Travis, a citizen of Texas, late a Captain in the United States Army, praying the passage of a Joint Resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to use all honorable means to induce the President of the United States to review and re-examine the evidence adduced before the Court martial, by whose sentence he was dismissed from the army, have carefully considered the subject and beg leave to report as follows:

That the memorialist is the son of Col. W. B. Travis, whose name as the commander of the fortress of the Alamo, during the Texas struggle for independence, is imperishably connected with the brightest page of the history of freedom's struggle.

That he is now in the morning of life having just completed his twenty fifth year. That in the year 1854, he commanded with credit to himself a company of Texas mounted Rangers, and made a campaign against the Indians. That upon the 3d day of March, A. D., 1855, upon the recommendation of many members of the last legislature and other highly respectable citizens of Texas, he was appointed by the President of the United States, a Captain in the regiment of the 2d cavalry of the United States, commanded by Col. A. Sydney Johnston.

That for some time after his appointment the memorialist was engaged in the recruiting service, and did not join his regiment until he had fully or nearly completed the enlistment of his company. The regiment, when he joined it was in garrison at Jefferson barracks, and there remained until it was ordered to Texas sometime in the month of October. In December the regiment arrived in Texas, and on the 15th of March, 1856, a Court Martial was convened at Fort Mason, Texas, for the purpose of trying the memorialist upon the general charge of conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman, with three specifications, substantially as follows:

1st, That the memorialist was guilty of cheating at Jefferson barracks, Missouri at a game of cards, on the first of October 1855.

2nd, That he was guilty of falsehood in rendering an excuse to his commanding officer for leaving camp without permission near Springfield, Missouri, which falsehood is charged to be contained in the following note:

CAMP, en route to Texas, {
November 18, 1855. }

Sir, I have the honor most respectfully to state to the Colonel commanding, that it having been so much the custom for

officers to leave the camp for a short time without troubling the commanding officer for his permission, I left thinking it entirely unnecessary to do so, and did not for a moment imagine that I was guilty of any military impropriety.

I am, Col. very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

CHAS. E. TRAVIS,

Captain 2d Cavalry.

To Lieut. K. Garron, Lieut. and

Adjutant 2d Cavalry, present.

3d, That he circulated and created false and slanderous charges against Lieutenant Wood, a brother officer, in charging the said Wood with stealing money from the memorialist. Upon these charges and specifications a sentence of dismissal was rendered against the memorialist on April 11th, 1856, and confirmed by the President of the United States May 6th 1856. The official transcript of the evidence and proceedings in the trial of the memorialist were before the committee and were carefully examined by them.

They find that upon the rules of evidence as applied in all courts, that the finding cannot be sustained by the testimony, upon any one of the three specifications. The testimony is too voluminous to be summed up here; the impression made upon the mind of the committee from the testimony of Col. Johnson and other officers, is that the first two specifications of cheating and falsehood would never have been dreamed of, had it not been for the facts originating the 3d specifications. The testimony to sustain the two first specifications is too trivial to merit any notice, while by the finding of the court itself, the last charge ought never to have been sustained. The last specification is worded as follows:

That Charles E. Travis, Captain of the 2nd Regiment of cavalry did unscrupulously and dishonestly create and circulate false and slanderous imputations against Lieutenant Robert C. Wood, and did endeavor to injure the reputation of the said Wood. Upon this, the finding of the Court is as follows: "Guilty, with the exception of the words 'unscrupulously and dishonestly create and' the words 'and did endeavor thereby to injure the reputation of said officer,' and the words stricken out 'Withrell.' This leaves the charge then solely of 'circulating' without the intent to injure, which charge of 'circulating' is most triumphantly refuted by the evidence; there is not a particle of proof to show that the memorialist had ever

circulated the rumors, but imparted them in confidence to some three of his bosom friends, and to them alone.

From a review of the testimony your committee are forcibly impressed with the belief that injustice the most unparalleled has been practiced upon the memorialist. They do not desire to impeach or question the motives that might have actuated the prosecution. They consider the proof as wholly insufficient. In consideration of the character of the memorialist and of the facts of the case, they recommend the passage of the accompanying Joint Resolution, in accordance with the prayer of the memorialist.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. HORD,

Chairman of the Committee,

On the part of the Senate.

C. S. WEST,

Chairman of the Committee,

On the part of the House.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to ask the President of the United States to review and re-examine the proceedings of the Court Martial in the case of Charles E. Travis, late a Captain in the United States army, and to lay the same before the Senate of the United States, Read 1st time.

On motion of Mr. Hord the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended bill read 3d time and passed.

Mr. Armstrong from the Committee on Public Lands to which was referred a bill authorizing the issuance of patents in certain cases, reported the same back and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. McCulloch, the rule was suspended, bill read 2d time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Allen, the report of the Judiciary Committee on a bill supplemental to an act establishing a Court of Claims, recommending that it be laid on the table, was taken up and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, a bill for the relief of the heirs of Jeffery Mumford was taken up and read.

Mr. Armstrong offered the following amendment :

Provided that the said Mumford or his heirs have not pre-

viously received a title to said headright league and labor of land. Adopted.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

Rule suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

Mr. McDade, called up (for Mr. Doane,) a bill relinquishing the right of the State to certain lands therein named, read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time.

Mr. Burroughs moved the indefinite postponement of the bill, lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Burroughs, Flanagan, Guinn, Martin, Millican, Russell and Wren—7.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Caldwell, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Scarborough, Superviele, Taylor of Fannin and Whitaker—15.

On motion of Mr. Burroughs a call of the Senate was ordered.

Absent—Messrs. Allen, Truit and Weatherford.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate of the passage of

A Joint Resolution in relation to the recent Act of Congress on the Public Debt of Texas, originating in the House.

And a bill supplementary to an act making appropriation for the use and support of the State government for the years 1856 and 1857, originating in the Senate, with amendments.

Mr. Hill moved a suspension of the call on a bill for the relief of the heirs and legal representatives of Stephen Z. Hoyle, carried.

The bill was then read 3d time, and upon its passage the yeas and nays were as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Bryan, Flanagan, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Pedigo, Scarborough, Superviele and Taylor of Fannin—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Armstrong, Burroughs, Caldwell, Grimes, Guinn, Millican, Russell, Truit, Weatherford and Whitaker—10.

So the bill was lost, two-thirds being necessary to pass it, under the decision of Mr. Bryan in the chair.

Mr. Hill appealed from the decision of the chair, and the decision was sustained.

Mr. Allen, Chairman of the Committee on enrolled bills re-

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Bryan, Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Scarborough, Superviele, Truit, Whitaker and Wren—17.

On motion of Weatherford the Senate adjourned till four o'clock, P. M.

FOUR O'CLOCK, P.M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate of the passage of the following bills originating in the House :

A bill for the relief of Egbert Grant.

A bill authorizing the sureties of officers to relieve themselves from further liabilities on their bonds.

A bill for the relief of Wm. Carlton.

And a Joint Resolution to authorize the Governor to institute certain suits in relation to the erection and furnishing the New Capitol.

Also, originating in the Senate, a bill to incorporate the town of Indianola.

A bill amendatory of, and supplementary to an act to establish the Galveston and Red River Rail Road Company, and the several acts supplementary thereto.

And a Joint Resolution (unanimously passed) instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives, to ask the President to review the proceedings of the court martial in the case of Chas. E. Travis, late a Captain in the United States army, and to lay the same before the Senate of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Fanain the bill supplementary to an act making appropriation for the use and support of the State Government for the years 1856 and 1857, with amendments by the House, was taken up and the amendments concurred in.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill to incorporate the Galveston Ice Company, and

A bill to change the name of Rosalie Hernandez, to Maria Rosalie Upshur, both originating in the Senate.

Mr. Allen, Chairman of the Committee on enrolled bills, reported the following bills correctly enrolled, properly signed, and this day presented to the Governor.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Edward Wingate.

" " "

Samuel Washburn.

A bill for the relief of S. W. Pepkin.

"	"	"	the Cooshatti Indians.
"	"	"	certain persons therein named.
"	"	"	Thomas Howell.
"	"	"	Peter F. Houston.
"	"	"	James R. Jenkins.
"	"	"	Almanzon Houston.

A bill authorizing and requiring the Treasurer of the State to collect from the United States, the money upon certain Public Debt certificates therein named.

A bill setting aside and appropriating land for the benefit of asylums.

A bill fixing the compensation for saving cotton found in the waters of this State.

A bill to incorporate the Sabine and Galveston Bay Railroad and lumber company.

A bill supplementary to an act for the relief of the citizens of Mercer's Colony.

A bill granting to John Torrey and others the privilege of constructing a bridge across the Guadalupe river.

A bill prescribing the manner of entering land certificates or scrip, and to prevent the lifting or floating the same, and

A bill to prevent slaves from carrying guns or other dangerous weapons.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell, a Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to institute certain suits, if necessary, in relation to the erection and furnishing of the New Capitol, was taken up and read 1st time.

Rule suspended and bill read 2d time.

On motion of Mr. McCulloch the bill was amended by striking out from the 4th section all after the word "suits" to the word "provided."

The bill was then passed to a 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 2d time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Caldwell, Flanagan, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, Maverick, Pedigo, Scarborough, Superviele, Taylor of Fannin and Truit—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Burroughs, Grimes, Guinn, Martin, Palmer, Russell and Whitaker—7.

On motion of Mr. Palmer the Joint Resolution of the House in reference to the recent act of Congress, on the Public Debt of Texas was taken up and read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

Mr. Flanagan introduced a Joint Resolution providing for the immediate printing of the captions of the Acts and Joint Resolutions passed at this adjourned Session of the Legislature.

Read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

Mr. Armstrong introduced a bill to define the time of holding the Courts in the 3d Judicial District, read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Maverick the Joint Resolution endorsing the administration of President Pierce was taken up and read 1st time.

Mr. Hord offered the following as a substitute :

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that the message of Franklin Pierce, President of the United States, sent to Congress in the early part of the present session contains an able exposition of the constitutional rights of the Slave States, deserving an expression of approval of the friends of the Constitution, and the Union everywhere, and of the Southern States especially.

That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to President Pierce.

Mr. Millican moved to strike out the word "especially" wherever it occurs.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Guinn the Senate adjourned until 8 o'clock P. M.

8 O'Clock, P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, a bill for the relief of Charlotte D. Ross, was taken up and read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hord a bill to incorporate the Corpus Christi Academy, read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Bryan, Burroughs, Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Russell, Scarborough, Superviele, Taylor of Fannin, Truit, Weatherford and Whitaker—22.

NAYS—None.

Mr. Superviele offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are due to the President, for the able, impartial, and dignified manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office, and at parting each Senator extends to him kind feelings of esteem.

Adopted unanimously.

On motion of Mr. McCulloch the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the House bills reported from committees:

Mr. Allen, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills reported the following bills correctly enrolled, properly signed and this day presented to the Governor.

A bill to incorporate the American and European colonization society.

A bill to incorporate the city of Lavaca.

A bill for the relief of Stephen F. Parks.

“ “ “ W. H. Mayo, and others.

“ “ “ Allen Hines.

“ “ “ Jacob L. Standifer.

“ “ “ Elizabeth Finley.

“ “ “ heirs and legal representatives of Derby Morris.

“ “ “ Elizabeth Reed.

A bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating drinks within the limits of the league of land in Fayette county, granted to Franklin Lewis on which the town of Ruttersville is situated.

A bill to incorporate the Henderson and Logansport Rail Road Company.

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to patent 320 acres of land, to Levin J. Martin.

A bill to incorporate the town of Mount Pleasant in Titus county.

A bill to provide for the payment of volunteers.

A bill to incorporate the town of Indianola.

“ “ “ Powder Horn, Victoria, and Gonzales Railroad Company.

A bill to change the name of Rosalie Hernandez, to Maria Rosalie Upshur.

Joint Resolution relating to Charles E. Travis, late Captain in the United States Army.

A bill to incorporate the Galveston Ice Company.

A bill to legalize the acts of David P. Ferries, Notary Public of Ellis County.

A bill amending and supplementary to an act to establish the Galveston and Red River Railway Company, and the several acts supplemental thereto, and

A bill supplemental to an act making an appropriation for the use and support of the State Government for the years 1856 and 1857, and for other purposes.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills originating in the House.

A bill for the relief of Sherman Reynolds, W. W. Knowles, and J. B. McGehee.

A bill for the relief of James W. Winters.

And the following bills originating in the Senate:

A bill for the relief of James Latham Jr.

“ “ “ Jonas Gilbert et al.

“ “ “ Thomas Bell.

A bill to authorize James H. Dyer, and Simpson C. Dyer, to construct a mill on and a dam across the Brazos river.

A bill to define the time of holding the Courts in the 3d Judicial District.

A bill to change the boundary line of Erath county.

A Joint Resolution requiring the Secretary of State to have 500 copies of the captions of laws, &c., to be printed, &c.

A bill for the relief of D. M. Fulton, and

A bill for the relief of Fraylan de la Garza.

And that the House had passed, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor,

A bill to provide for the safe keeping of the Capitol and Furniture and to define the duties of the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and of the Secretary of the Senate, and that the House had appointed Messrs. Dancy, Latham, and Sheppard, a committee to act in conjunction with the Senate's committee to inform the Governor that the Legislature would adjourn "sine die" on Monday next the 1st inst.

Also that the House had passed the following Senate bills.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Conrad Jergins, and

A bill for the relief Alexander McCulloch.

A bill for the relief of Thomas O. Moody, read 2d time and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Martin, a Joint Committee was appointed to inform the Governor that the Legislature would adjourn on Monday the 1st proximo, sine die.

Messrs. Martin, Palmer and Russell were appointed the committee.

A bill for the collection and republication of the laws of Texas, with the report of the Committee of Finance recommending that no further action be had upon the same, read and the report adopted.

Joint Resolution amending the Constitution, with report of the Committee on the Judiciary, recommending the indefinite postponement of the same, read and report adopted.

A bill creating a precinct in Goliad County, read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

A bill for the relief of James Drake, read 2d time and rejected.

Mr. Scarborough moved a reconsideration of the vote just taken, carried, and bill passed to 3d reading.

Rule suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hill, the vote rejecting the bill for the relief of Thomas O. Moody, was reconsidered and the bill passed to a 3d reading.

Rule suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Bryan the Secretary was instructed to call the attention of the House to a bill repealing an act for the relief of Carlos Espalier.

A bill for the relief of Elisha J. Robinson, read and passed to 3d reading.

Rule suspended, bill read 3d time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Bryan, Burroughs, Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Hill, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Scarborough, Superviele, Taylor of Houston, Truit and Weatherford—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Armstrong, Guinn, Russell and Whitaker—4.

A bill authorizing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents and certificates in Castro's colony, in certain cases, read and laid on the table.

Joint Resolution endorsing the administration of President Pierce, with the substitute offered by Hord, read.

Mr. Flanagan moved to lay the Joint Resolution and substitute on the table,

Lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, Taylor of Fannin, and Truit—6.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Burroughs, Guinn, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Russell, Scarborough, Superviele, Weatherford and Whitaker—17.

Mr. Whitaker moved the previous question.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Fannin, a call of the Senate was ordered.

Absent—Messrs. Flanagan, Millican, White and Wren.

On motion of Mr. Scarborough a bill for the relief of Adolph Glavacke, was taken up and read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Hord, a bill to create a precinct in Goliad county, was taken up.

On motion of Mr. Hill a call of the Senate was ordered.

Absent—Messrs. Armstrong, Millican, McDade, White and Wren.

Mr. McCulloch moved to take up a bill to provide for the safe keeping of the Capitol and furniture and to define the duties of the Secretary of the Senate and Chief Clerk of House of Representatives, with the veto message of the Governor—lost.

Mr. Hord moved to reconsider the vote passing the appropriation bill.

On motion of Mr. Hord, a call of the Senate was ordered.

Mr. Burroughs moved to adjourn till Monday morning at 6 o'clock.

Lost by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Armstrong, Burroughs, Guinn, Martin, Russell, Truit and Weatherford—7.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Bryan, Caldwell, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Scarborough, Superviele and Whitaker—13.

On motion of Mr. Caldwell a bill for the relief of Wm. Carlton was taken up, and read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

Rule further suspended bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford, a bill for the relief of Egbert Grant, read 1st time.

Rule suspended and bill read 2d time.

On motion of Mr. Hord a call of the Senate was ordered.

Mr. Hord moved a suspension of the call on the motion to reconsider the vote concurring in the amendments of the House to the bill supplemental to the general appropriation bill.

Lost by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Burroughs, Caldwell, Flanagan, Guinn, McCullough, Martin, Palmer, Russell, Scarborough, Truit, Weatherford and Whittaker—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Hill, Hord, McDade, Maverick, Pedigo and Superviele—6.

On motion of Mr. Allen, a bill requiring the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to issue patents on two land certificates, therein mentioned, read 1st time.

Rule suspended, bill read 2d time and passed to 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

Mr. McCulloch moved to take up a bill to provide for the safe keeping of the Capitol and furniture and to define the duties of the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, with the message of the Governor, vetoing the same.

Mr. Weatherford moved a call of the Senate—lost.

The bill and message was then taken up, and the Senate refused to pass the bill by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Flanagan, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Palmer, Pedigo and Superviele—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Burroughs, Caldwell, Grimes, Guinn, Maverick, Russell, Scarborough, Truit, Weatherford and Whitaker—13.

On motion of Mr. Hord, the call of the Senate on the motion to re-consider the vote concurring in the amendments of the House, to the General appropriation bill was suspended, and the motion to reconsider withdrawn.

Mr. Hord offered the following resolution :

Resolved, that the Reporter of this Senate have two weeks from and after adjournment to bring up the debates of the present session, and that he be allowed the sum of \$5 per day for said services to be drawn out of the contingent fund.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE ROOM, Austin,
August 30th, 1856.

Hon. H. R. Runnels, President of the Senate:

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills have examined the following bills, and find them correctly enrolled, having been signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, they have been presented to the Governor for his approval:

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Finley.

" " " Debby Morris.

" " " Jacob L. Standifer.

A bill to incorporate the city of Lavaca.

A bill for the relief of Adolphus Glavacke.

A bill to incorporate the Powderhorn, Victoria, and Gonzales Railroad Company.

A bill defining the time of holding Courts in the third Judicial District.

A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Reed.

A bill for the relief of Jonas Gilbert.

A bill providing for the pay of certain volunteers under the command of Captain Tom and others.

A bill for the relief of Levin J. Martin.

A bill to incorporate the Galveston Ice Company.

A bill to change the name of Rosalie Hernandez, to Marie Rosalie Upshur.

A bill for the relief of H. B. Balch.

A bill to incorporate the town of Indianola.

Joint Resolution authorizing the Governor to bring certain suits in relation to the erection and furnishing of the New Capitol.

A bill for the relief of Wm. Carlton.

Joint Resolution in reference to the recent Act of Congress on the Public Debt of Texas.

A bill for the relief of James Drake.

" " " Charlotte D. Ross.

" " " Elisha T. Robinson.

" " " Egbert Grant.

A bill authorizing the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue to Alexander McCulloch, a certificate for one-third of a league of land.

A bill to legalize the acts of David P. Ferris, Notary Public of Ellis County.

A bill for the relief of Stephen F. Sparks.

A bill to incorporate the town of Athens, in Henderson county.

A bill for the relief of W. H. Mayo and others.

A bill to prevent the sale of intoxicating drinks on the Rutherford League of land.

A bill for the relief of Allen Hines.

A bill to incorporate Mount Pleasant in Titus county.

Joint Resolution instructing our members of Congress to use their exertions for the reinstatement of Charles E. Travis, late Captain in the U. S. Army.

A bill to authorize James M. Wade, to construct a bridge across the Sabine river.

A bill supplementary to an act making an appropriation for the use and support of the State Government for the years 1856 and 1857, and for other purposes.

Joint Resolution requiring the Secretary of State to have printed 500 copies of the captions of all the acts passed at the present adjourned session.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Conrad Jergins.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Thomas O. Moody.

A bill requiring the Commissioner of the General Land Office to issue patents on two land certificates therein mentioned.

A bill to incorporate the Eastern Texas and Red River Insurance Company.

A bill to authorize James H. Dyer and S. C. Dyer, to construct a mill upon and a dam across the Brazos River.

A bill for the relief of Thomas Bell.

A bill to amend an act to create the county of Comanche.

A bill supplementary to, and amendatory of an act to establish the Galveston and Red River Railway Company, and the several acts supplemental thereto.

A bill to incorporate the Henderson and Logansport Railroad Company.

A bill to incorporate the American and European Colonization Company.

A bill amending an act to create the county of Erath.

A bill for the relief of Frayland de la Garza.

A bill for the relief of James Latham, Jr.

M. W. ALLEN.

Mr. Burroughs offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate shall index and place in proper positions all the papers in his possession as Sec-

retacy of the Senate, and shall receive as compensation therefor \$5 per day while actually employed in the performance of this duty, provided he shall not be employed for more than thirty days. To be paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate.

Mr. McCulloch offered the following as a substitute:

"Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Texas, that the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized to take charge of the Senate Chamber with the rooms attached to the same, with the books, papers, &c., and take especial care of them during the recess of the Senate and that he be allowed fifty dollars per month for that service."

Rejected, and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford, the call of the Senate on a bill for the relief of Egbert Grant, was suspended, bill read and passed to a 3d reading.

Rule suspended, bill read 3d time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Russell, a bill to incorporate the Eastern Texas and Red River Insurance Company, was taken up and read 1st time.

Rule suspended bill read 2d time and passed to a 3d reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read 3d time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Bryan, Burroughs, Caldwell, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, Hill, Hord, McCulloch, McDade, Martin, Maverick, Palmer, Pedigo, Russell, Scarborough, Superviele, Truit, Weatherford and Whitaker—21.

NAYS—Mr. Armstrong.

Mr. Flanagan moved to take from table a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting the bill for the relief of Edward Teal, senr.

On motion of Mr. Hord a call of the Senate was ordered.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford the Senate adjourned till Monday morning 6 o'clock.

MONDAY, September 1st, 1856.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—no quorum present.

Mr. Martin, chairman of the Select committee, appointed by the Senate to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the legislature would adjourn *sine die* on to-day, reported that